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## HARRISON FOR EAVES.

HE THINKS THE RELIABLE HAS BEEN TREATED VERY BADLY.

The Force Bill Corps May be Galvanized Into Life if the Democrats Carry Congress By a Big Majority—The Lafayette Statue.

[Special to STATE CHRONICLE.]

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29, 1890.—A prominent Republican politician who has had several conversations with the President on the subject tells me that the President thinks Collector Eaves has been treated very badly by his party colleagues. He therefore intends to allow him to remain in office as collector of Western North Carolina district ten days after the adjournment of the present Congress, which is the utmost limit of the law. After that date, whenever that is, a new collector will be appointed and a nice place will be found for Eaves as a further reward for his distinguished services to the G. O. P. during the last campaign. A consolidation of the two districts under the collectorship of Mr. White was urged by a number of Republican party leaders two or three months ago. The President vetoed the plan most emphatically.

The Election bill is dead, perhaps beyond the hope of resurrection. If, however, the fall elections roll up a sufficient Democratic majority to cause a panic among the Republicans here, the corpse may be galvanized. There is one powerful motive which will influence the leading Republicans against the bill. It is this, Quay, Cameron, Hurst, Spooner, and other moneyed Senators, have large pecuniary interests south of Mason and Dixon's line. The business interests of the North are also understood to be inimical to the bill.

The Lafayette statue, which is said to be a masterpiece, has just arrived from France, and will soon be placed upon its pedestal in Lafayette square. This site is too near the equestrian statue of General Jackson, and it is thought that the effect will be so inartistic that Congress will have to move one of the two.

## REPUBLICAN COMMITTEES.

The Republican State convention concluded its work here on Thursday night by the appointment of the following committees:

### State Executive Committee.

J. T. Cheshire (col.), of Pasquotank; J. W. Pope (c. l.), of Northampton; A. R. Middleton, Duplin; Stewart Ellison (col.), of Raleigh; Rufus Amis, of Granville; S. H. Manning, of New Hanover; Z. V. Walker, of Davidson; W. G. Bogle, of Alexander; V. S. Lusk, of Buncombe.

### State at Large.

M. L. Mott, Iredell; John C. Dancy (col.), Rowan; J. H. Hannan (c. l.), Halifax; Cameron Morrison, Richmond; Jno. H. Williamson (col.), Wake; J. W. Harden, Alamance.

The plan of organization was changed so that it would not require that the secretary of the State Executive committee should reside at Raleigh. This has heretofore been required.

There will be a meeting of the full committee in a few days to elect a secretary.

### Trunks Cheap.

Call and see Hellers' 34 and 36 inch Saratoga trunks, at \$4.00 and \$5.00. Our cheapest trunks from 75 cents to \$1.00 and up.

HELLER BROS.

## POLITICAL GOSSIP.

It is said to be a mistake. The Surry county Republican convention did not denounce the Winston Republican.

Hon. B. H. Bunn will speak at this place on Tuesday of our next court week, September 30th. W. F. Strowd, Esq., will also speak then in advocacy of Bunn's election.—Chatham Record.

The following is the full ticket nominated in Pitt: For Senate, Willis R. Williams; for Representative, Harry Skinner; for Sheriff, Jack Tucker; Clerk, E. A. Moore; Register, D. H. James; Treasurer, John Flanagan; Coroner, H. F. Keel; Surveyor, J. S. L. Ward. The nominees for the Legislature were instructed to vote for Vance. It is a strong ticket. Mr. E. A. Moore, renominated for clerk, was prominently mentioned for Congress, and if he had allowed the use of his name, would have made a very strong run.

## A GLASS TRUST.

One Can See Through the Scheme to Make Glass Come High.

[By United Press.]

PITTSBURG, Aug. 29.—It is announced this morning that a combination of window glass manufacturers has been effected. This company will control the output of all the window glass factories in the western and northern districts immediately, and all the factories in the United States ultimately.

## A Wholesale Scandal.

[By United Press.]

LONDON, Aug. 29.—The scandal recently unearthed in Wurtemberg grows more serious as further developments are made. The police have verified the experience of numerous societies formed for the purpose of mutual indulgence in all forms of the grossest vices. Hundreds of arrests have been made and public feeling at Stuttgart is greatly excited.

W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO.

New Carpets continue to arrive. Hardly a day passes that we do not open something new in this line. There have been some particularly pretty patterns opened this week.

W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO.

## PITT COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE TICKET.

It is very important that the counties should send their best men to the next Legislature. We have already alluded to the wise action of several counties. We are glad to note that Pitt county Democrats have also named a legislative ticket that will do honor to the county.

Mr. WILLIS R. WILLIAMS, for the fifth time, has been nominated for the State Senate. A man of scholarly tastes, wide reading, varied information, and thoroughly devoted to the people, he makes an incorruptible and useful Senator. We believe that the people of Pitt will make him a life member of the Senate.

For the House, COL. HARRY SKINNER and Mr. J. D. COX are the nominees. COL. SKINNER has long (he is a widower) and we will qualify that by saying "several years") been a prominent factor in the politics of Eastern North Carolina. He has never been a candidate for an office before. He is a successful lawyer and an enthusiastic advocate of the new school of Political Economy upon which he is well posted. Two years ago, in the CHRONICLE, he advocated a plan for the cotton farmers from which the idea of the Sub-Treasury plan of the Alliance was taken. He is an enthusiastic advocate of financial reform and believes that Congress ought to pass the Sub-Treasury bill or repeal all protective legislation. His speeches and articles on this line have attracted the attention of thoughtful men and brought him great popularity among the members of the Alliance. He will be a leader in the House from the first day, though he will be a new member.

Mr. COX, the other nominee for the House, is a popular and well-informed young farmer of genuine worth. He is a prominent member of the Alliance, and was the delegate from Pitt county to the meeting of the State Alliance where he made a good impression upon the members.

## A CORRECTION.

Mr. W. H. WORTH, Business Agent of the State Alliance, desires the CHRONICLE to correct an error that has been circulated that the State Alliance adopted jute bagging for cotton this year. The National Alliance recommends any substitute for jute, and the State Alliance endorses the demands of the National Alliance. While jute bagging has been offered at one-half the price it was offered at when the Alliance commenced the fight against the jute trust, the State Alliance did not think it wise to adopt jute bagging.

## COL. COWLES RENOMINATED.

On the 156th Ballot—The Present Incumbent Wins the Fight.

[Special to STATE CHRONICLE.]

LENOIR, N. C., Aug. 29.—Col. W. H. H. Cowles was renominated for Congress from the Eighth district Friday morning on the 156th ballot Friday morning. There was an immense delegation in attendance upon the convention. This closes a memorable and hotly contested campaign for the nomination for Congress in the Eighth district. Three of its strongest men—COL. COWLES, MAJ. WM. A. GRAHAM and SOLICITOR W. H. BOWER, were the candidates, and great interest had centered in the result.

The many friends of COL. COWLES will rejoice in his fourth nomination for Congress, where he has served his district and State with fidelity and ability. COL. COWLES was born at Hamptonville, N. C., April 22d, 1840. He enjoyed only the public school and academic education which his county afforded. He entered the army as a private in CAPT. CRUMPLEY's company of the first North Carolina cavalry. He was made First Lieutenant upon the organization of the company, and served from the spring of 1861 to the close of the war with the army of northern Virginia, holding successively the positions of captain, major and lieutenant-colonel of his regiment. He was twice wounded—once through the body at Mine Run, Va., in November, 1863, and again severely in the head in the closing battle around Petersburg, March 31st, 1865. After the war he read law under JUDGE PEARSON—obtaining county court license in January 1867 and Superior court license in January 1868. In that year he moved to Wilkesboro and entered upon a successful practice of the law. He was Reading Clerk of the Senate in '72-'3 and '73-'4, and was elected Solicitor of the Tenth Judicial District in 1874 and served four years. He was a member of the Democratic State Executive Committee for eight years. In 1882 he was defeated for the N. C. House of Representatives. He was first elected to the 49th Congress, and then to the 50th and 51st. In the last election he received 13,142 votes against 10,021 for Ward, Republican.

COL. COWLES is as brave and fearless a man as ever breathed, and whether in Congress, on the field of battle, or in the private station, he is true to duty and faithful to the trusts committed to his charge. He is a strong "stumper" and his renomination in the face of strong opposition from popular gentlemen evidences his hold upon the confidence of the people.

## \$1,000,000

Invested in Winston-Salem in the Last Six Months—Interesting Notes of the Piedmont Metropolis.

(Special Cor. State Chronicle.)

WINSTON, N. C., Aug. 29.—It has never been told the CHRONICLE readers that there has been \$1,000,000 invested in Winston-Salem by PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY within the past six months, but nevertheless it is a fact. The Daily of this city yesterday appeared announcing this, and it has set many of our people to work calculating. The figures seem steep but I have them when anybody doubts. The fact that outsiders have had confidence to the amount of one million dollars in the future of a city just in the beginning of her development, and before she has reached fifteen thousand inhabitants, speaks wonders of a great growth that is to take place the next five years. Could you have made the average Carolinian believe that in the borders of his own great State there was going up a city which would some day eclipse those of the booming West in point of commercial activity? When the dissatisfied Carolina young man wants to try his fortune in a growing section he need not leave her borders. Let him glance Westward, but there is no need of his eyes reaching beyond the tops of the Appalachians.

Another land and improvement company for Winston means that the confidence of the people of means in our future is growing. To-day it was made known that Messrs. P. M. Wilson, R. J. Reynolds, J. L. Patterson and others had organized what is to be known as the North Winston Land and Improvement company with a capital of \$75,000, with the privilege of increasing it. Their lands lie out to the northwest and north of the city, and in one place nearly touch the property of the West End Hotel and Land company, which has a capital of \$300,000.

Your correspondent saw to-day the contour map of the latter company's lands and also a complete plan of the elegant resort hotel which is to cost over a hundred thousand itself. The hotel is to have a long, fine front with right and left wings, which are curved around to totally cap the front view of the knoll. From the centre will be a long wing to the rear, the view from which will be superb.

To-day the hands who are working on the boulevard, completed the clearing of the wood and the grading will be completed within a short time.

To-day it was announced that the full equipment of Messrs. Breen, Feely and Newby, large railroad contractors on the Roanoke and Southern, would be sold out to pay the laborers who were knocked out of their wages by the skipping of W. A. Stiles, a sub-contractor under this firm, who took away several thousand dollars unexpectedly. The property to be sold will amount to very nearly \$4,000, which will cripple the firm to some extent.

Fully a thousand hands are at work grading the R. & S. road north toward Roanoke from Martinsville.

There is some difficulty yet in the Stiles affair.

Two convicts escaped from the railroad yard yesterday and the guard was discharged. About six of those who were on the sick list were sent back to Raleigh to recuperate. The R. & S. road is now being rapidly pushed on to Stoneville, which point they will probably reach by the last of September.

To-day one of the most successful excursions that ever came into our city arrived from the State of Wilkes. It was freighted with sturdy farmers, their wives, sons and daughters, who had come to the western metropolis to see her sites and ride on her wonderful electric cars. The crowd numbered about six hundred souls, happy and were filled with wonder and amazement. They patronized the car line to the very last moment, and went back to the very last moment that they had seen something in Forsyth that the great State of Wilkes had not yet produced.

M. Victor.

## NEWLAND NOMINATED FOR SOLICITOR.

He is Honored the Second Time With the Same Nomination.

[Special to the State Chronicle.]

LENOIR, N. C., Aug. 29.—W. C. Newland, Esq., of Lenoir, was nominated for solicitor of the Fourth district to day.

The readers of the CHRONICLE are familiar with the necessity for this convention. At a convention three weeks ago MR. NEWLAND was declared nominated, and afterwards it was discovered that McDowell, which voted for Mr. NEWLAND, only had twenty votes, instead of twenty-two. MR. NEWLAND, who was nominated by a fraction of a vote, honorably tendered the nomination to MR. COUNCIL, who declined to accept. The convention was recalled to make a nomination, and MR. NEWLAND was successful. He was a member of the last Legislature, and made an excellent reputation as a faithful, laborious and leading member.

## GILMAN NOMINATED

For the State Senate From Carteret, Jones and Onslow.

T. E. Gilman, Esq., of Jacksonville, Onslow county, was yesterday nominated for the State Senate at the convention held in Pollockville. We have no particulars. As stated in the CHRONICLE several weeks ago, Onslow endorsed Mr. Gilman. He was a useful and able member of the House and his promotion is gratifying.

## Lawn Tennis Shoes.

Heller Bros. just received a full assortment of Gents' Tennis Shoes. All sizes. 75 cents per pair.

HELLER BROS.

## CHAMPAGNE GOES UP.

SO DO WINES AND OTHER VARIOUS DRINKS.

The Senate Raising the Luxuries—Salt isn't Free—The War Claims Bill Passes the House—And Carries \$530,000.

[By United Press.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—In the Senate this morning Mr. Edmunds offered the following resolution which went over for the present:

Resolved, That when the two houses adjourn on the 19th of September, 1890, it be to meet on the 10th of November, 1890.

The tariff bill was taken up, the pending question being on the finance committee's amendment to the salt paragraph to strike out the provision allowing drawbacks on salt in exported meat.

Mr. McPherson moved to strike out the entire paragraph, the effect of which would be to place salt on the free list. Heated, yes; says 29; a party vote.

The committee's amendment to strike out the proviso allowing drawbacks on salt in exported meats was then discussed.

In reply to a question of Mr. Vest, Mr. Sherman said that the general provision in the bill for a drawback of duties on exportations, would protect the export meat business from any discrimination under this paragraph.

Mr. Vest wanted to know how the salt used in curing meats for export was to be identified. The drawback provision required that the material on which a drawback was paid should be identified. Why would not this general drawback provision extend to fish.

Mr. Sherman said that he had voted in committee against striking out the proviso because he believed, with Mr. Vest, that the general provision in regard to drawbacks would not apply to salt. Mr. Vest argued in favor of putting salt on the free list as a natural product to be found in inexhaustible quantities in every country in the world.

Mr. Cullom argued against striking out the proviso saying that it was not a question of protecting the American salt producer, but of protecting the American export meat business.

After further discussion the vote was taken on the committee amendment to strike out the proviso, and it was rejected, 15 to 51. The Republican Senators voting against the committee were, Allison, Cullom, Edmunds, Hawley, Ingalls, Jones of Nevada, Mitchell, Plaf, Plumb, Sherman, Teller, Washburn and Wilson of Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Plumb the duty on brandy and on cordials, liquors, etc., was increased from \$2 to \$3 a gallon; on bay rum from \$1 to \$2, and on champagne and other sparkling wines so as to make the rate on bottles not more than a quart and more than a pint \$10 a dozen instead of \$6; not more than a pint instead of \$3.50; one half pint or less \$2.50 instead of \$1.75, and where bottles contain more than a quart \$3.25 a gallon additional.

The following amendments offered by Mr. Plumb were agreed to: Increasing the rate on still wines in casks from 50 cents to 75 cents per gallon; in cases from \$1.65 to \$2.50 per case, with the tax on additional quantities ten cents extra per pint instead of five cents.

Increasing the duty on ale, porter and beer in bottles and jugs from 35 cents to 60 cents per gallon, and on that not in bottles and jugs from 20 cents to 35 cents.

Increasing the rate on malt extract in casks from 20 to 35 cents per gallon; in jugs from 40 to 60 cents per gallon, and when sold from 40 to 60 cent ad valorem.

Increasing the duty on cherry and prune juices from 60 to 70 cents per gallon, when containing not more than 18 per cent. of alcohol, and from \$2.00 per gallon to \$3.00 per gallon, in addition to 25 per cent. ad valorem on that which contains more than 18 per cent. of alcohol.

On motion of the finance committee the paragraph relating to ginger ale, soda water and other similar waters was amended by reducing the rate from 18 cents to 10 cents a dozen on bottles; and on motion of Mr. Carlisle by the insertion of the word "artificial."

The schedule of cotton manufactures was passed over, and the wool schedule taken up.

Mr. Carlisle moved to strike out paragraphs 357 to 369, relating to raw wool, so as to put all raw wool on the free list. A general discussion followed, the motion being supported by Messrs. Carlisle, Reagan, Gray and McPherson, Democrats, and opposed by Messrs. Sherman, Aldrich and Dawes, Republicans.

With the motion still pending, at 5:50, the Senate adjourned.

House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—The first bill to be considered was that which has been pending for the past sixteen weeks, the omnibus southern war claims bill.

Mr. Thomas, of Wisconsin, who had objected to its passage on the ground that some of the claimants whose claims were covered were disloyal, offered a substitute striking out the objectionable features, and by unanimous consent it was agreed to. The bill carries about \$530,000. The committee rose, the bill was passed and the committee resumed its session.

The House then at 5 o'clock took a recess until 8 o'clock, the evening's session to be for the consideration of private pension bills.

## Coal Must go Higher.

[By United Press.]

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—Representatives of all the leading anthracite coal companies met at the Delaware and Hudson Coal company's office to-day, and decided to advance the price of coal on September 1st, 10 and 15 cents per ton, and to limit the output to 3,250,000 tons.

## WANDERED AWAY.

Frank L. Bond, an Aged Citizen, Mysteriously Absents Himself.

(Tarboro Southerner.)

"Mr. Bond has wandered away," was on every lip this morning. Where he had gone, why he had left, were matters purely conjectural.

For some time Dr. E. T. Bass has been treating him for heart trouble.

Mrs. Bond asked him to call her at two p. m. to give him his medicine. At half-past one she arose, thinking it time to administer it. When she entered the room her husband told her he had already taken it.

Some few hours after, Mrs. Bond awoke and found Mr. Bond had quitted his bed.

She went for neighbors and the premises were searched. Not a trace of him was found.

A colored woman reported that just before day she saw the figure of a man through her window going in the direction of the Black Pond on the Panola farm.

Tracks of a bare foot were found near the edge of the water.

Robert Banks, watchman at the wharves, heard a splash in the river as if a plank had been thrown or fallen from the railroad bridge.

Early in the day it was hoped with some reason that he had only wandered away and would be found alive. But as the day wore on and no trace or clew of him could be found, unless they were those of the colored woman and Mr. Banks, the belief became general that he was drowned, it might be by accident, but more probably by his own act.

## THE BOSS POSTOFFICE.

The Receipts Were \$1,495--The Postmaster's Expenses Were \$1,215.

[By United Press.]

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Postmaster General Wanamaker sent to the House to-day an answer to a resolution adopted by the House on the 16th inst., calling for information concerning the case of Alexander J. Wedderburn.

Mr. Wanamaker stated that the post-office at Grange Camp was discontinued because Wedderburn, though not postmaster there, was in reality inspector of the office. He was, it is stated, almost its only patron, and he mailed large amounts of matter himself, not paying any stamp money, and, as a result, while the receipts of the office during the time it was in existence amounted to \$1,495, the sum of \$1,215 went to pay the commissions of the postmaster, an employee of Wedderburn.

## Dun's Business Report.

[By United Press.]

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—R. G. Dunn & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say: The great relief in the money market here, caused by treasury purchases of 4 1/2 per cent. bonds, the refusal of the Labor Federation to take up and extend the strike on the New York Central railroad, and the prospect that the Senate will soon reach final action on the tariff bill, have all tended to improve the state of business.

Business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number for the United States 165; and for Canada 24; total 189, compared with a total of 192 last week. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 211, representing 189 failures in the United States, and 22 in Canada.

## Glasgow's Bouncing Boom.

[By United Press.]

GLASGOW, Va., Aug. 29.—General Fitzhugh Lee, president of the Rockbridge company, received a cablegram from Hon. Wm. A. Anderson in London last Thursday requesting him to call a meeting of the directors of the company on the 10th of September, to ratify the contract he has made with the syndicate who propose to put \$1,500,000 in the Rockbridge company. This will be one of the largest deals ever made in the Old Dominion, and is but the forerunner of larger sums from the same source in future. The above cablegram has caused the demand for lots to increase very perceptibly in the last few days. Parties are buying all the lots they can carry, being confident that they will reap a rich harvest when the boom comes. At \$80,000 worth of lots changed hands to-day.

## A Wife Murderer's Insanity Scheme.

[By United Press.]

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 29.—Sam Scanlan, who has been confined in the Anchorage Lunatic Asylum since his arrest on the supposition that he was insane, escaped from the asylum Wednesday night. Scanlan, after killing his wife, feigned insanity so successfully that he was committed to the asylum. He pretended to be very lame and used crutches which he left behind him. He was helped by friends to escape.

## Throwing Dynamite.

[By Cable to STATE CHRONICLE.]

TRIESTE, Aug. 29.—After the explosion of a bomb in the door-way of the police headquarters last evening, a fuse attached to another bomb was found burning at the railway depot.

## Patent Leather Oxford Ties.

All sizes Gents' Patent Leather Oxford Ties, at \$1.50 per pair, just received at HELLER BROS.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Aug. 29.—An ordinance was passed last night by the Mayor and Council which prohibits the Standard Oil Co. from keeping on deposit more than ten barrels of oil on their property at any time in this place.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 29.—The Democrats of the Fifth district to-day nominated L. F. Livingston for Congress.

## NINTH DISTRICT.

How the Vote Stood on the Several Ballots.

[Condensed from Asheville Citizen.]

The following was the first ballot:

Vance	121	130
Johnson	29	210
Coxe	20	810
J. H. Merrimon	21	810
J. M. Gidger	24	410
Crawford	40	610
Elias	48	510

On the second ballot Vance's vote was (we omit fractions) 109; Johnson 27; Coxe 31; Merrimon 23; Gidger 24; Crawford 39; Elias 50.

There were other changes on the several ballots until the seventh, when the vote stood: Vance 82; Johnson 16; Coxe 41; Merrimon 48; Gidger 26; Crawford 45; Elias 50.

Johnson's name was withdrawn before the twelfth ballot and the vote stood: Vance 70; Coxe 53; Merrimon 23; Gidger 23; Crawford 67; Elias 39; Furman 13.

Before the 13th ballot, Elias withdrew. The following were the last two ballots:

Vance	13th BALLOT	14th BALLOT
Coxe	53	510
Merrimon	49	710
Gidger	38	610
Crawford	66	610

## Crawford Nominated.

The fourteenth ballot was concluded amid intense enthusiasm. Cries of "Crawford," "Crawford," filled the hall. Col. Davidson made a few remarks followed by Gen. R. B. Vance. Then W. T. Crawford made a very eloquent speech, thanking the delegates and his friends for the honor they had conferred upon him, and said words could not express his feelings for those who had conferred on him a position for which so many older and more tried men were fitted. He finished with a political speech that would have made Ewart see stars of about seventeen various colors and shades. Mr. Crawford is a very strong speaker and is one of the best men the Democrats could have selected to beat Ewart.

## The Executive Committee.

After the nomination, an executive committee was organized, one man from each county as follows:

Buncombe, H. A. Gidger; Cherokee, Dr. J. W. Patton; Clay, G. H. Haigler; Graham, S. J. R. Colver; Haywood, W. B. Ferguson; Henderson, W. A. Smith; Jackson, E. R. Hampton; Macon, John Gray; Madison, W. J. Gidger; Mitchell, Thomas Phillips; McDowell, M. A. Newland; Polk, J. C. McFarland; Rutherford, J. C. Ewing; Swain, A. H. Hays; Transylvania, E. M. Honeycutt.

Four's Administration Endorsed.

Strong resolutions endorsing Governor Fowle's administration and his earnest efforts for economy in State affairs, were adopted.

## Vance Endorsed.

Resolved that the Democratic party of the Ninth congressional district endorse the Hon. Z. B. Vance as his own successor for the United States Senate.

## Mighty Good Ancestry.

The speaker who alluded to the pedigree of Kope Elias as reaching away back to Abraham brought down the house.

## THE GREENSBORO OIL WELL.

[Special Cor. of STATE CHRONICLE.]

GREENSBORO, N. C., Aug. 28.—There has been so much said about oil being discovered here, I determined to find out all that we could about the matter and give it to the readers of the CHRONICLE just as we saw it. I went to Mr. Phoenix and told him that I heard that he had discovered oil on his land, and asked him if it was so. He said that he thought that he had had reason to believe that he had, whereupon he very kindly offered to drive me out to the place, just one and a half miles from town. While going out to where the well is being dug Mr. Phoenix made this statement: About one month ago he was having some ditches dug for the purpose of draining a bottom piece of land. One of the hands reported to him that there was a very peculiar odor arising from the earth. Upon investigation, Mr. P. discovered a very strong scent of kerosene oil. He said nothing to any one about it, but running a parallel line for about 150 to 200 yards up on the upland, the direction the ditch was being cut, he put some hands to work to dig a well. After going about twenty feet, the odor of the keros